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1. PRESS JULY 25 ANNOUNCED FURTHER CHANGES GOB STRUCTURE IN ADDITION THOSE ANNOUNCED BEFORE RECENT CC PLENUM (REFTEL). MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION RE-COMBINED WITH MINISTRY OF ARCHITECTURE AND INCUM-BENT MINISTERS BELICHKI AND STOILOV LOSE CABINET POSTS. FORMER MINISTER OF TRANSPORT STOICHKOV NAMED HEAD OF NEW COMBINED MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION AND ARCHITECTURE.

2. IVAN PECHLIVANOV, FORMER DEPUTY MINISTER OF MACHINE BUILDING AND NOW DIRECTOR GENERAL OF SCIENTIFIC-PRODUCTION AMALGAMATION "TECHNOLOGY OF METALS" GIVEN RANK (SUB-CABINET) OF CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE UNDER COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.

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3. VASIL TSANOV, AN UNKNOWN, NAMED MINISTER OF

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TRANSPORT AND DEPUTY MINISTERS NAMED IN MINISTRIES ESTABLISHED BEFORE CC PLENUM: MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY AND POWER, MINISTRY OF MACHINEBUILDING AND METALLURGHY, MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND ELECTROTECHNICS. YANKO PETROV RELEASED AS DEPUTY MINISTER OF LABOR AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

4. COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS CONSIDERED STOILOV IN PRECARIOUS POSITION FOR SOME TIME AND CURIOUS ABOUT NEW POST HE SAID TO HAVE RECEIVED. IN VIEW MANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT CONSTRUCTION DELAYS AND PRECARIOUS STAGE KEY THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS SOFIA, PRESS FAILURE TO MENTION NEW POST FOR BELICHKI NOT SURPRISING. AFTER RECENT BALKANAIR SCANDALS AND CRASHES, EMBASSY CONSIDERS STOICHKOV FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE NEW CABINET POST. EMBASSY HAS NO EXPLANATION WHY PECHLIVANOV AND HIS AMALGAMATION EVIDENTLY NOW REPORT DIRECTLY TO COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BUT RECALLS WHEN TODOR ZHIVKOV WAS PREMIER, HE HAD MICROBIOLOGICAL INDUSTRY DIRECTLY UNDER COUNCIL OF MINISTERS.
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